Encampment and Covid

The New York Wing 2021 Encampment is being planned expecting that we will continue to be under Covid restrictions into the summer. That means that the encampment will be practicing social distancing and universal mask wearing. As a result we cannot accommodate the traditional number of participants. We are limited due to housing constraints and social distancing to 48 inflight cadets and 22 cadet staff. While acceptance for students will be by rank order/age for cadets with completed applications by the deadline date, we will guarantee at least 4 slots to each group.

We will be limiting indoor exposure as much as possible – classes will be held outdoors under open air tents, as will most meals. We will also attempt to limit interactions between individuals to within a designated 'pod', i.e., for students that will mean that they will be doing all their activities (classes, drilling, eating, sleeping) with just members of their flight. Based on the conditions at the time, we may require a negative covid test within 1 week of the start of the encampment.

While we sincerely hope we will be able to run an encampment next summer, National Civil Air Patrol will make the final determinations as to whether they consider it safe to do so. A "go/no-go decision" will be made by 1 May 2021. We will not deposit any checks received, or charge credit cards, until we are on target to run the activity and have finalized the cadets who will be accepted.